



March 2005

Dear Team Nutrition Contact,

Because of your commitment to children's health and through activities you have conducted the Iowa Partners for Healthy Kids and Iowa Team Nutrition invite you to apply for recognition by submitting an application for a Best Practice Award. In order to understand the scope of your nutrition and/or physical activity initiative, I am asking that you complete a short form and send supporting information about your activity. The activity should have been conducted during the 2004 calendar year.

The award is a competitive one that will be judged by a committee from Iowa Partners for Healthy Kids. There are two levels of the award. The *Eat Smart* recognition focuses on a nutrition emphasis while the *Play Hard* award has a physical activity emphasis. The higher-level recognition is called the *Power Panther* award because it is a comprehensive nutrition and physical activity effort. All schools judged as meeting minimum point criteria will receive an award.

Please submit the completed application by April 30<sup>th</sup> to:

Janet Wendland, Consultant  
Bureau of Nutrition Programs and School Transportation  
Grimes State Office Building  
Des Moines, IA 50319-0146

I am looking forward to seeing your application and appreciate your efforts in improving children's health. If you have questions related to this process, feel free to contact me at: [janet.wendland@iowa.gov](mailto:janet.wendland@iowa.gov).

Sincerely,

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